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Dear Parents/Guardians of Graduating Seniors:

With the end of the school year just a few weeks away, I wanted to let you know that our grading guidance has changed since our last communication to you.

In keeping with a new grading policy adopted by the state school board on April 23, third quarter report cards will show student progress through March 13, the last day prior to school closures. Final report cards will provide feedback to students based on what they complete during remote learning. Final grades for spring semester and year-long courses, however, will only reflect student learning through March 13.

Seniors will receive a grade of PC19 (pass) or WC19 (withdrawal) for the spring semester. Grades of PC19 (pass) or WC19 (withdrawal) will not be counted in student GPAs for semester or year-long courses. GPAs will be calculated using numerical grades and quality points from first semester only. A grade of PC19 (pass) means the student has mastered the course standards – the key knowledge and skills students are expected to know. Students must earn a grade of PC19 (pass) to earn credit for the course that will count toward high school graduation.

A grade of WC19 (withdrawal) means the student has not yet passed the course. Students who were failing prior to March 13 can still make-up missed work remotely and earn a passing grade and credit toward high school graduation. (All seniors must meet earn 22 credits to graduate.)

Graduating seniors who receive a final grade of WC19 will not earn course credit toward high school graduation but will be given opportunities to master the missed material and recover the credit. If your child needs additional help or support, please contact the school immediately. We have staff ready and willing to help.

Again, thank you for your patience and perseverance. We are incredibly proud of our Class of 2020 and all they have accomplished during their K-12 educational careers. I encourage all graduating seniors to share photos and short videos about their future plans with goodnews@gcsnc.com so we can celebrate all they have achieved.

For all children,

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Enclosure: Frequently Asked Questions, Class of 2020